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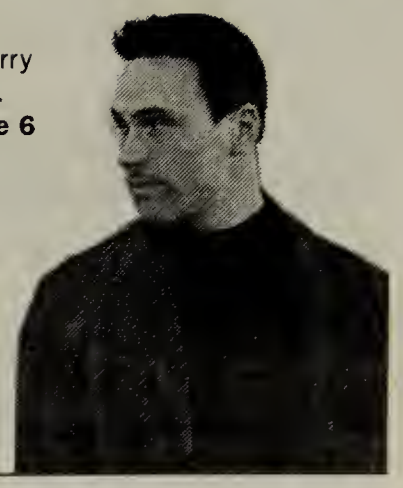

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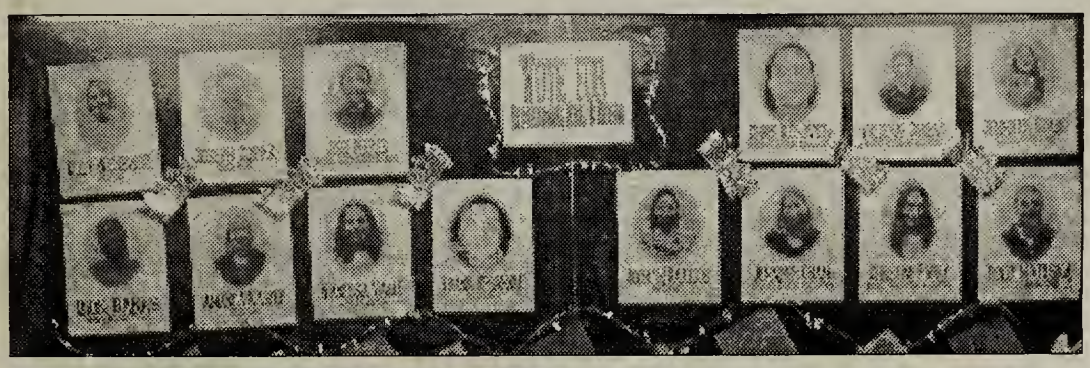

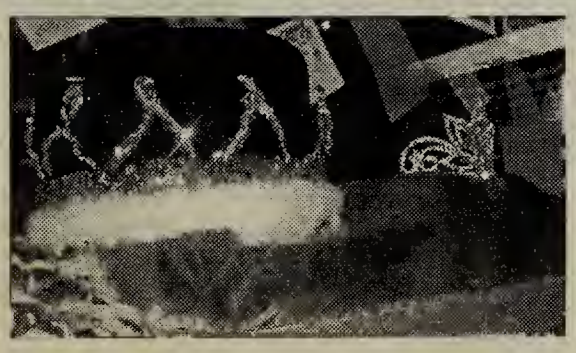

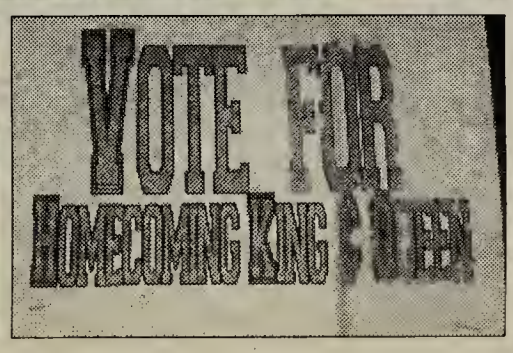

Photo by Lorrell Kilpatrick

For the first time in PUC's homecoming history, the election results for King and Queen have been thrown out due to extensive foul play and flaws in the process of running the election.

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The anxiety of waiting and wondering. Who will be PUC's next homecoming king and queen? Well, that question will be left unanswered this year. The homecoming committee decided late Friday afternoon to throw out the homecoming elections due to evidence of people illegally voting.

Lorrell Kilpatrick, managing editor of The Chronicle, brought this concern to the student programming board's attention. Kilpatrick was invited by Nicholas Orange, chairman of SPB and student body vice president, to attend and address her concerns about the election process.

Kilpatrick said students were voting more than once, voting and not signing the registration book and there was an instance of a student who went to vote, but someone else had already illegally signed by her name.

Rick Riddering, director of the Center for Career and Leadership Development said, "We had more ballots than signatures."

After the SPB meeting, the election committee met to discuss these concerns and canceled the king and queen election.

"If we would have named somebody, we wouldn't have known if they were really supposed to be king or queen," Riddering said.

Orange said that there will only be the scheduled announcement of the homecoming court and no crowning at the dance following.

"I am pleased with the decision of the committee. You can't crown someone as king if you think there was cheating," said Orange.

Riddering added, "We want to build complete trust with our students in the system, and this year we just didn't have it. If we can't have full trust with students, when we have an election in the future they are going to doubt it."

Joe Copak, homecoming candidate and junior majoring in business management added, "It is unfortunate that this kind of event had to occur. However, I am glad I was able to participate and I hope this serves as an example for future years."

Riddering explained, "We are convinced that this was probably the best homecoming in the last 25 years. That is why it is important that we keep the integrity of the system."

Jennifer Oram, homecoming candidate and graduate student in counseling said, "I think they did a great job. I think they did what they had to do."

Riddering said, "The whole idea behind homecoming is to build community, have fun and meet new people; but I do believe it is important that we do it the right way."

Riddering said he is very proud of the way the homecoming court handled the decision.

"It shows that students want to have a trustworthy system," Riddering said.

Riddering is looking into ways to prevent this from happening again. He said they are planning to have an electronic voting system through PC Star where students would have to type in their student IDs in order to vote.

"It would be more secure because PC Star is already a secure system," said Riddering.

To: 2002 Purdue Calumet Homecoming Court
From: Homecoming Committee
Date: February 16, 2002
Re: King & Queen Elections

As you know, our goal as a committee is to enhance the student life and community at Purdue University Calumet. We believe that it truly is an honor to be chosen by your organization to be a part of the homecoming festivities. Additionally, we are committed to the integrity of the election process and the Purdue Calumet name.

As such, we were forced to make a very difficult decision this year. As votes were tallied we questioned the reliability of the election process resulting in the following conclusion.

Due to what we have determined to be dishonorable behavior by some candidates and the voting public, no Homecoming King or Queen will be named this year. All ballots are null and void and were destroyed by The Center for Career and Leadership Development prior to finishing the count. It's unfortunate that those of you who campaigned fairly and considered this election as an opportunity to meet other Purdue Calumet students must also endure this decision. Despite the election outcome, we hope that you view your participation in Homecoming Court in a positive light.

Your utmost confidence in us is extremely important as we continue to expand our programming. We have already begun to explore alternatives for next year's homecoming activities, which may include online voting as a way to assure that our students' votes are confidential and accurate.

We encourage you to submit your suggestions and ideas for future homecoming activities to The Center for Career and Leadership Development, located in SFLC 349, or by emailing studlead@calumet.purdue.edu

Thank you for being a part of the 2002 Purdue Calumet Homecoming Court.

Homecoming events deemed more successful than years past

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The 2002 Sprit Week Homecoming Celebration was filled with contests, games and comedians. As usual, these festivities were capped off with the homecoming game and dance.

Overall, the week had its share of its highs and lows, however the week was a great success.

Nick Orange, vice president of the student body and Student Programming Board chairman, said, " I am happy to say I backed up my guarantee [of this year's homecoming being the best ever] and I delivered what I promised."

Rick Riddering, director of the Center for Student Leadership and Development, was very pleased because participation in this year's homecoming activities was higher than in previous years.

On Feb. 11, the student body was treated to an X-treme dress and feet contest. The three contestants, Jade Lee Culberson, Smoke Godley and Jocelyn Gallegos battled to see who was the most extremely dressed. The winner, hands down, was Godley who donned a pink lace undershirt over a black and white t-shirt ensemble.

The "Weakest Link" contest was scheduled for Feb. 12. Melvyn Harding, director of Educational Talent Search, filled in for TV hostess, Anne Robinson for this PUC version. Two rounds of the game were played with the first round featuring the homecoming court as contestants. Even though not all of the royal court made an appearance, Jennifer Szabo and Todd Matucka, nominees from the College Republicans, proved that they were the strongest links on this day.

On Feb. 13 UPS sponsored the X-treme games. Activities included a bungee run, a jousting match and an inflatable boxing ring. Students enjoyed what proved to be not only a fun day of activities, but also an extensive workout.

The much anticipated and highly publicized X-treme Comedy show was carried off without a glitch on St. Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. Approximately 300 couples and singles alike were treated to side-splitting laughs courtesy of stars from radio, television and movies.

The show featured renowned comedians Honest John, Damon Williams and George Wellborn. Fulfilling the duties of emcee was Power 92.3 personality, Spank Boogie, a.k.a. "Spank Booda."

"I would definitely want students to know just what they missed out on if they did not

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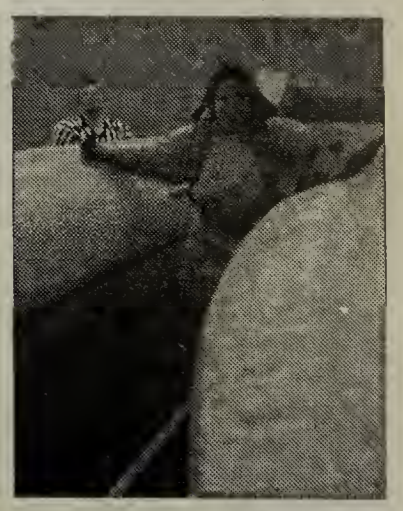

Photo by Lorrell D. Kilpatrick

April Edwards treats on-lookers with her FloJo impersonation at the X-treme games.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

TIMELY ADVICE...

More frequently asked questions about financial aid (Part 2 of 2)

Continuing last week's topic, here are more answers to frequently asked questions about financial aid.

Filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is required of students seeking federal financial aid, including grants and loans at all Title IV schools in the nation. Also, to receive priority consideration for state and Purdue University Calumet-based financial aid programs for the 2002-2003 academic year, **you must complete and submit**, either electronically (FAFSA on the Web) at **www.fafsa.ed.gov** or by U.S. mail, your FAFSA by March 1. If you are mailing your FAFSA, don't forget to obtain a Certificate of Mailing from the post office!

Q **Why is submitting the FAFSA on the Web recommended?**

A Submitting your FAFSA on the Web can speed up the FAFSA process. Using the Web version of the FAFSA can cut down on postal service delays. It also allows the federal processor to do a "final check" of your information to make sure your FAFSA is ready for processing before it is submitted.

Q **How do I sign a FAFSA on the Web?**

A Whether you complete a paper or electronic FAFSA, you will be required to provide your signature (and parent's signature if you are a dependent student) in one of the following ways:

1. Print off the signature page, obtain the required signatures and mail the form to the address listed on your signature page.
2. Use your 4-digit PIN issued by the Department of Education to electronically sign your FAFSA. (Note that your parents will need their own PIN to electronically sign your FAFSA.)
3. (Not recommended.) You can wait (approximately two weeks) until you receive your Student Aid Report (SAR), obtain the required signature(s), and then return it to the federal processor through the U.S. Postal Service.

Q ***What is a PIN?***

A The Personal Identification Number (PIN) is the code that the U. S. Department of Education uses to identify you online. You do not need a PIN to complete your FAFSA on the Web. Having a PIN will allow you to electronically sign your FAFSA, check the status of your electronic FAFSA and/or make any changes necessary to your personal information online. Using a PIN as your signature for the FAFSA can speed up your processing time.

Q **Do I need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to receive a student loan?**

A Yes! A student loan is considered financial aid. Student loan eligibility is based on the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) on the processed FAFSA plus your grade classification and prior student borrowing.

Q **How will dropping one or two classes affect my financial aid?**

A This depends on when you drop your classes and your new credit hour enrollment. Please contact the Office of Financial Aid for assistance in determining how your new credit hour enrollment will affect your financial aid eligibility.

Q **I work during the day and am unable to stop by the Office of Financial Aid during that time. How else can I contact you regarding my financial aid?**

A If you are unable to visit us at the Enrollment Services Center in LAWSHE 130, Monday through Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and on Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. you can:

- e-mail at **finaid@calumet.purdue.edu**
- phone us at 219/989-2301

You also may view your financial aid record by accessing PC STAR (Student Access to Records) through our home page:
http://esc.calumet.purdue.edu/finaid

PLEASE REMEMBER: prepare for the upcoming 2002-03 academic year by completing and submitting your FAFSA, electronically at **www.fafsa.ed.gov** or by U.S. mail, your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by **March 1.**

– FAFSA????s –
– Attend Financial Aid Workshop –
Saturday, February 23 – 9:00 a.m., GYTE 116

What's goin' on?

A look around campus

Father Campagna Academy seeks donations for children

Formerly Hoosier Boy's Town, Father Campagna Academy is asking for donations of non-violent computer games for the children who reside at the academy. All donations should be dropped off to Diane Moody at the METS department in the Anderson Building. For more information, contact Tom Anton at (219) 980-1957.

Summer study abroad deadlines are fast approaching

Purdue students planning to participate in university-sponsored overseas study programs during the upcoming summer sessions have until March 1 to turn in application materials. The application form for all Purdue study abroad programs is available online at the program's Web site. Applicants also are asked to submit an essay, two letters of recommendation and an official transcript. For more information, contact Jean Tyner at (765) 494-2383 or Jeff Sanson at (765) 494-0169 or jjsanson@purdue.edu.

Illustrator needed for book

Andrea Murray is seeking a student artist to illustrate her children's book. Please call (219) 932-4614 or (219) 989-2455.

Society of Human Resource Management sets meeting dates

SHRM has set dates for bimonthly meetings to be held in the Anderson building, room 311. All meetings will begin at 5:15 p.m. Dates for the meetings are scheduled for Feb. 19, March 5, March 19, April 2, April 16 and April 30.

Graduate Record Exam review open to all students

Psi Chi, the honor society in psychology, and the Psychology club will be hosting a GRE review open to all students. The review session will focus on math skills. The review will be held on Friday, February 22 in the Anderson building, Room 148 at 2 p.m. The session will last three hours and is limited to 75 participants.

Resume workshop to be held

The Society for Human Resource Management will be holding a resume workshop on February 26 in the SFLC building, Room 321 at 5 p.m.

Forum to bring awareness regarding police brutality, the death penalty to be held

The Aaron Patterson Project, in conjunction with Malcolm X College, will hold a forum to bring awareness to the community regarding the issues of police brutality, torture and the death penalty, in particular Aaron Patterson's case. The forum will feature Common; Fred Hampton, Jr., son of slain black panther; and Michelle Goodwin, professor, DePaul College of Law. The forum will be held February 22 from 6 to 10 p.m. at Malcolm X College, 1900 West Van Buren, Chicago. It is open to all ages. The cost is $15; all proceeds towards Aaron Patterson's bond.

Meeting held by Psi Chi and Psychology Club

The meeting will be held in Porter room 202 at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 27. Barbara Osmon will be speaking about the career options available for students with a bachelors degree in psychology.

Free career and personal counseling available

Free career and personal counseling is available through the Practicum Counseling Center. Appointments are available for Wednesday evenings. For more information, contact Jane Stangel at 989-2366.

Say what?

"One has to look out for engineers - they begin with sewing machines and end up with the atomic bomb."

-Marcel Pagnol
1895 - 1974

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Student ID cards available soon

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Student ID cards will be available to all PUC students starting April 1, which coincides with Fall 2002 registration.

"One of the ideas of the card is for security purposes, so the idea is that by next year, every student will have one," Wes Lukoshus, director of university relations, said.

Vice Chancellor of Student Services Leo Bryant said the ID cards will be made available to students at an information booth on the lower level of the SFLC.

"Every freshmen student will be expected to have one," Bryant said.

The ID cards will be recommended for all other members of the student body.

Lukoshus said funds from student service fees, which are assessed as a part of tuition, would pay for ID cards. A decision regarding the cost to replace lost or stolen cards has not been made as of yet. Lukoshus added that the Student ID Implementation Committee is currently addressing this issue.

Bryant said the ID cards could be used as debit cards for the bookstore and cafeteria in the future, and he is "working with different vendors that can use this as a part of their process."

Photo by Skye Holman

This former location of the Information Center will now be the place where students can take their photo identification.

The ID card will eliminate the need for separate cards for the fitness center and library. The fitness center membership fee will still be accessed.

"I would get an ID because then you can get into movies cheaper," Jim Mueller, a sophomore said. At places such as the Showplace 16 movie theater in Schererville, students receive a discount if they have a student ID card.

Nick Orange, vice-president of the SGA, said that in accordance with the use of student ID cards, the SGA is pursuing student discounts at area businesses.

Bryant said that while the new ID cards will contain the name of the student and a photo, the birth date would not be displayed. For this reason, the new ID cards could not be used to prove students' ages.

Currently, the only way to receive a student ID card prior to April 1 is by request to the Business Office for Student Services in PER room 104. Students must show a State ID card or Driver's License. Questions can be answered by calling (219) 989-2735 during business hours, which are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The PUC Police Report

Tuesday, February 5, 1 p.m.
A portable radio was reported stolen sometime between Feb. 4 and Feb. 5 from an office in the Powers building. The radio was later returned to the owner by a co-worker who borrowed it.

Tuesday, February 5, 12:40 p.m.
The victim sustained a laceration to the middle finger while cleaning a lab in the Gyte building. No treatment was given.

Wednesday, February 6, 9:10 a.m.
A vehicle was left in the P-10 parking lot for more than 24 hours. The vehicle was determined to be abandoned and was towed.

Wednesday, February 6, 10:25 a.m.
A reporting person placed shoes and cologne in a locker in the fitness center and locked the lock before working out. Upon return, the lock had been removed from the locker and both items were missing.

Thursday, February 7, 12:45 p.m.
A victim's car stereo was stolen between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Feb. 7 from the P-9 lot.

Classified

Servers Wanted! Must be 21 or older! Days/Nights. Flexible schedule. Langel's Pizza. Highland, Indiana. 923-4900.

Mentoring program offers volunteering opportunities

MATT FESKO
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Campagna Academy, known to most here in the region as Hoosier Boys Town, is reaching out to the community for help.

This long standing and well respected institution, founded by Father Michael Campagna in 1947, is offering a chance for the community to help disadvantaged young students at the academy by volunteering in the Personal Adult Linkage Mentoring program.

The mentoring program is designed to enable volunteers to assist students, ages 10 to 18, academically and socially while establishing supporting and nurturing relationships.

The mentoring program includes many different volunteer options, which include the Mentor for a Moment program and the Fun Day program.

In the Mentor for a Moment program, volunteers can meet different students from the academy, some who live at the academy and some who commute. They can share a story or experience and show them how much they care about the students.

Melinda Richards, a student at PUC, said, "I think this program (Mentor for a Moment) is a great way to support and assist kids in their difficult adolescent years, especially kids that have had a rough past."

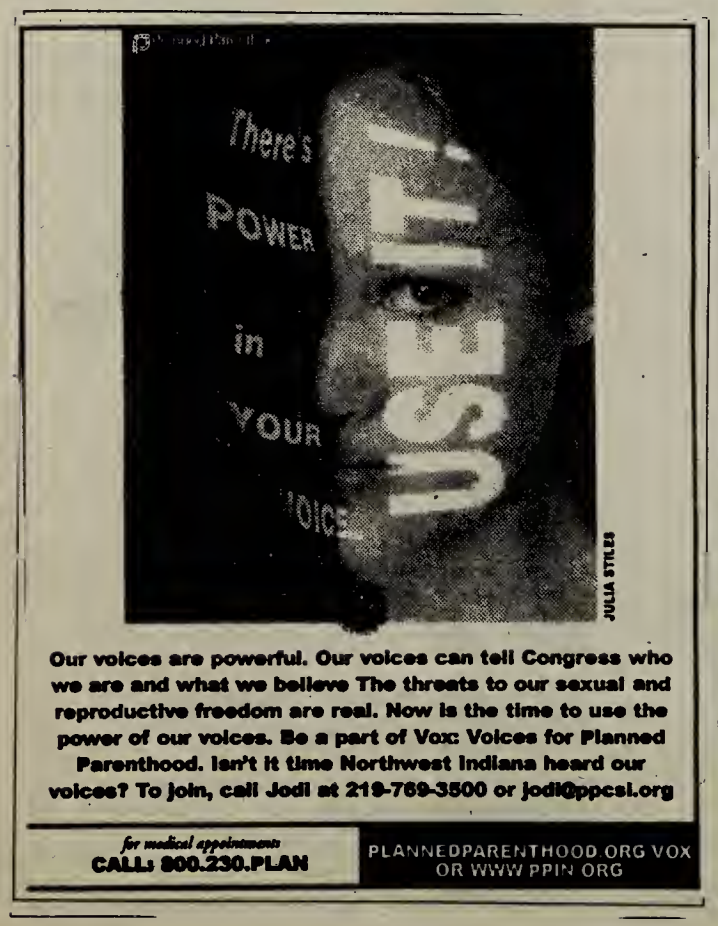
In a similar program, volunteers can have lunch or dinner with students at the academy.

In The Fun Day program, volunteers come to the academy and spend an afternoon with students who do not have relationships with other adults outside of the academy. Basketball players from Calumet College go to the academy once a week and shoot hoops with the students, and in turn, the students go to the games and cheer on the team. Basketball players at PUC can do the same.

Wes Lukoshus, director of university relations said, "The University is very interested in developing relationships with outside entities."

The program can also serve as a community service option for PUC students.

For more information contact Todd Deloney, director of the mentoring program. Individuals interested in participating in the programs must be at least 21 years old. All of the programs take place at Campagna Academy on Route 30 in Schererville.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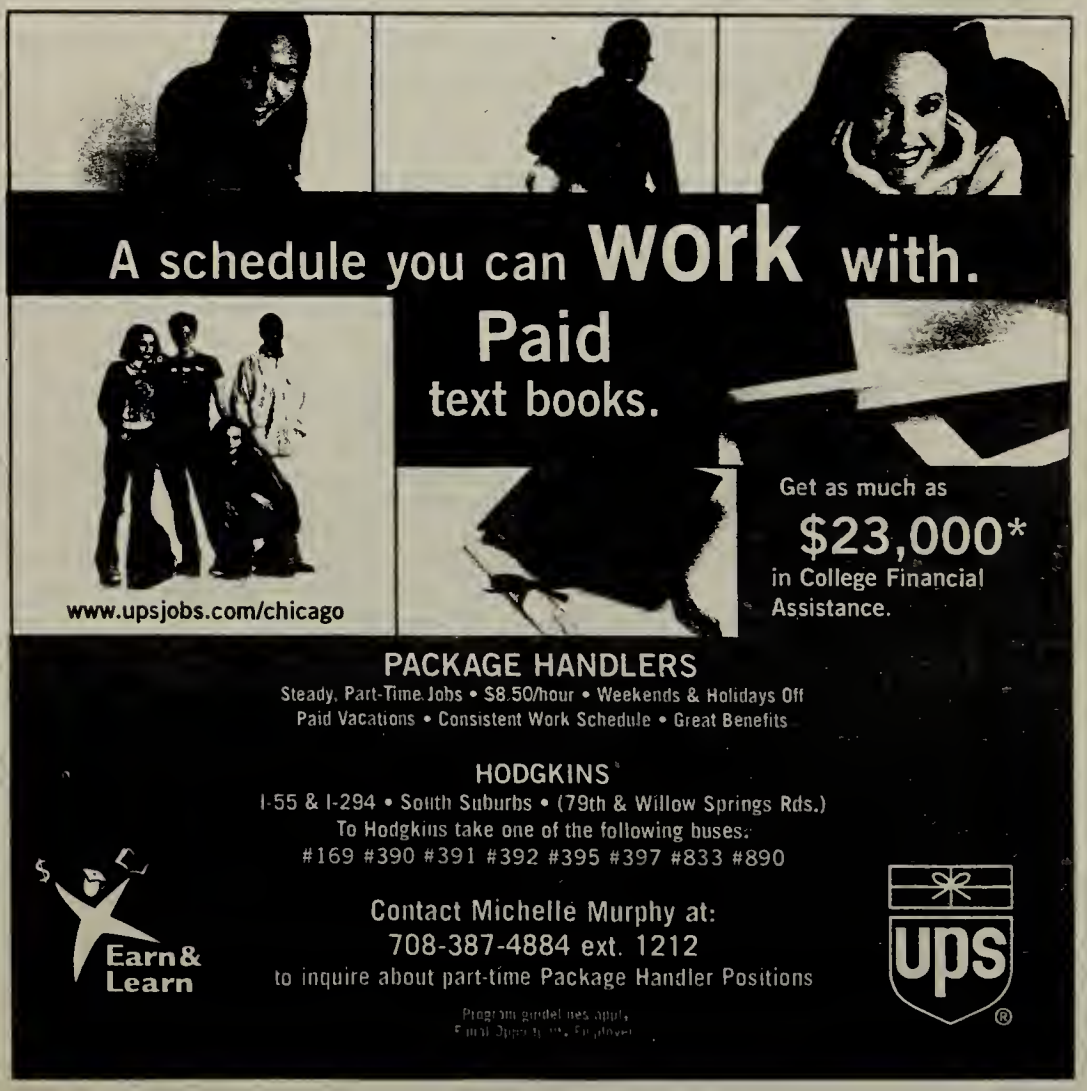
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Student ID cards finally make it on PUC's priority list

PUC attempts to make student identification cards more existent for students. Student ID cards have been a mystery for students for years. Do they exist? Where can I get one? How much do they cost? Students have many unanswered questions about identification cards. Not only has it been a hassle for students to get an ID card, most students do not know they are available.

Students are also required to have a student ID when on campus after hours. How is a student supposed to have an ID when they don't know they can get one? Campus police officers do not ask for ID after hours because most students do not have student ID's. And there is no way for officers to check if they are students because saying "I don't have an ID," is a logical excuse for a student, and the officers can not prove them wrong. There is the possibility that people, who do not belong on campus at night, may visit PUC.

Although most students are unaware, ID cards are currently available at the Fitness Center and can be taken to the police station to get punched to fit on a clip. Although it is not advertised or promoted, students can go to the Fitness Center and obtain their ID. Most students do not realize they can obtain one and do not know who to ask.

The problem is students do not know anything about student ID's. The fact that PUC offers student ID's, probably comes as a surprise to most students.

Having student ID's provides students with many benefits. Students receive money saving discounts at local merchants and also help to make the campus safer. University police officers would be able to ask for student identification after campus hours. This would ensure that only students and PUC staff are allowed on campus.

The new proposed ID system would require all new students to get an ID. The cost would be included in your tuition. The ID's would still be offered to current students, but a price has not been determined.

It is great that PUC wants all new students to have students ID's, but how will it be enforced? This new system would have to be more convenient for students because obtaining an ID would now be required for all new students. What will be the consequences for those new students who do not get a student ID? How is PUC going to enforce that every new student has an ID?

How are these ID's going to be offered to current students? How is PUC going to inform students that student ID's are available?

This new system of obtaining student ID cards needs to focus on the needs and convenience of the students. The students are the ones who want ID cards. PUC needs to adhere to the wants of the students and provide student ID's in an accessible way, and advertise that they are available and how to obtain them, for new and current students. Even if the best system of obtaining ID cards is implemented, the system will not work if students do not know about it.

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Once and future queen frowns on elections

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Managing Editor

As I'm sure you've noticed, this past week PUC hosted its annual Homecoming complete with fun activities such as X-treme Dress Day, X-treme Sport Day, a Weakest Link competition, Penny Wars, Pep Rally, the X-treme Comedy show and the Homecoming game and the dance that follows.

Speaking for myself only, I have to say that this is the best spirit week I have experienced in my entire time at PUC. Admittedly, I neither understood nor condoned the showing of anyone's toes or com infested foot (complements of Monday's X-treme dress and foot day), but other than that the daily events were a success. For me the highlight of homecoming week was the X-treme Comedy Show. I laughed so hard that I almost had an asthma attack. The comedians were an extreme delight and provided a fun, college orientated show.

However, in the midst of all this good planning and follow through, a storm cloud did rear its ugly head.

The ongoing competition of the week was the Homecoming King and Queen election. Usually, these elections are well publicized, not taken too seriously by the contestants and above all, fun. However, this year this event took an ugly and disturbing tum. The elections were plagued with inconsistent voting hours, individuals voting more than once and rampant, un-sportsman like behavior exhibited by some of the contestants.

I personally witnessed the friend, groupie, and campaign manager, whatever you want to call him, taking down another contestant's flier. The victim of this cheater's venom later found all of his flyers ripped down from every location he had taken the time to put them up in. In their places were the flyers of another contestant. Coincidence? I think not.

I also saw a group of voters at an unmanned election table voting numerous times for whomever they were supporting. I even saw one of the contestants for homecoming queen manning the voting table. I do not know whether or not she was campaigning for herself, but it doesn't really matter. The implied bias was apparent.

One candidate who asked that I not mention his name said that a woman couldn't vote for him because when she went to sign her name in the registration book, someone else's signature was already there.

Okay folks, is it really that serious? As the homecoming queen of 2000, I can say for sure that this competition is no where near this crucial. If you are 60 years old and still plan on having a shrine dedicated to your 2002 homecoming queen tiara, please get preventative help now.

It is very unfortunate that we could not all enjoy this event purely for what it was: a fun time. No one can convince me that winning a $7 crown and/or tiara is worth jeopardizing a weeks worth of hard work for so many other people who honestly and fairly campaigned for these elections. This is college people, not a high school winter formal. Get over it. Now if you'll excuse me, I have to go and dust off my tiara.

The People Speak

Question of the Week:

How do you think the presidency of George W. Bush will be remembered?

Justin Hornsby
junior, orgazational leadership and supervision

"He is responsible for the bombing of Afghanistan and that will always be remembered."

Melissa Ruacho
junior, hotel and tourism management

"The war on terrorism and the unemployment rate going up among other things."

Latanya Hillsman
sophomore, nursing

"He cheated his way into the White House and now he's stuck with the cares of the world and the nation on his shoulders."

Claudia Alcantar
junior, accounting

"The war on Afghanistan and September 11."

Jason Cerantes
freshman, computer programming

"Bush will be remembered for trying to track down the terrorists that caused the attack on September 11."

Janice Lashmann
sophomore, nursing

"He is a man of prayer. He brought prayer back to the nation due to the circumstances."

Events

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attend the show." Riddering said.

Tameka Chihota and Christina Dust, both homecoming committee members, said they felt the comedy show was a great success and they both could not stop laughing throughout the show.

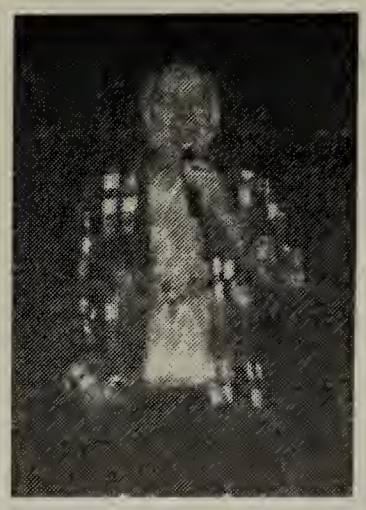
Earlier that day, students and sport enthusiasts were treated to a noon pep rally.

Rob Jensen, director of Fitness, Wellness and Sports, said the pep rally was "a good start for increasing spirit for the teams. It was a good building block for future participation."

As a whole, all who attended or participated in the homecoming activities felt that this year's events and turnout were spectacular.

Riddering said, "I think we tried a lot of new things, we believe we took better steps in the right direction. The comedy show was the highest attended program in years."

Many of the student organizations and committees said homecoming should have been advertised earlier, however, they thought that it was still a great success.



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Honest John, from BET's Comicview and screen fame, astounds the 400 plus crowd with a hilarious act.

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Rick Riddering and Nick Orange battle to the death... almost.

Adult substance recovery groups offered

SARAH LISON
Assistant News Editor

The Marriage and Family Therapy Center, part of PUC's master's degree program, offers substance recovery groups to adults who have been affected by substance abuse but do not require inpatient care as part of the recovery process.

Groups are offered as part of a graduate research project. Joe Wetchler, director of the master's program in marriage and family therapy, said the research studies "the effectiveness of two well known models of treatment of substance abuse."

Director of The Family Studies Center, Terry Trepper, said that the first model is traditional and informational, and the second model is solution-based. Both approaches are cooperative rather than punitive. For example, patients are not required to take a urinalysis unless they have been court ordered.

"The primary objective is to help them (patients) and protect them," Trepper said.

All patients must give an informed consent acknowledging that they have been made aware of the research before entering a group. Trepper said a committee in Lafayette must approve any studies conducted at The Marriage and Family Center to ensure the safety of the people involved.

"Purdue has a very rigorous human subjects protocol," Trepper said.

Groups consist of both men and women. There are four to eight people per group.

The groups are ongoing; patients can join at any time, but are assigned to the two types of groups at random. Prior to entrance into a group, the patient must meet with a therapist on an individual basis. After joining, the patient can request to meet with an individual counselor if need be.

> "The Marriage and Family Center is for the community."
> Sarah Smock, Graduate Student

Sarah Smock, a graduate student and therapist, said, "The Marriage and Family Center is for the community – not just students."

Two graduate student therapists conduct meetings on a weekly basis. Trepper said a faculty member and three to four other students observe each group through a two-way mirror. Each week, one of the two student therapists rotates. Trepper said this allows for group members to experience different clinical styles without alienating group members by changing both therapists each week. Rotating therapists also eliminates the variable of the clinical style of the therapist from the research.

Smock said that patients have the opportunity to receive state of the art therapy because the objective of the research is "to empirically test the new techniques that are in the field."

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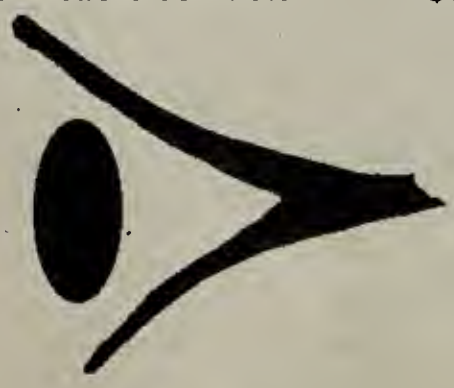

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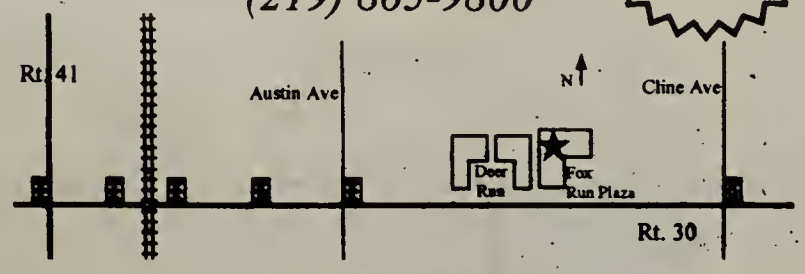

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Arnold returns with vengeance in 'Collateral Damage'

Arnold Schwarzenegger returns with his new action flick, "Collateral Damage."

TERRENCE ISBELL
Entertainment Writer

In its opening weekend, "Collateral Damage" was ranked as the top-grossing movie. This is a definite surprise for two reasons. The first being that our favorite Austrian born action hero, Arnold "I'll be back" Schwarzenegger hasn't had a huge blockbuster hit since his "Terminator" and "True Lies" days. The second reason is that the subject matter of the movie alone has been the basis of a lot of controversy these past few months, due to its plotlines focusing on terrorists and their attacks on downtown high-rises.

Around October, I was at a local movie theater, and the trailer for "Collateral Damage" was shown. I kid you not, much of the audience literally booed as the trailer took place, and one guy yelled out loud, "Like we really want to see this crap right now!" Warner Brothers probably predicted the rest of the country would take the stance of that one lone theater screamer-guy, and put the film on hiatus until now. Finally, I got to see if all the controversy was as bad as I assumed it would be. What I discovered is that in spite of the terrorist plot, it's a pretty decent Schwarzenegger flick.

Arnold stars as all-American firefighter (man, these coincidences just don't stop, do they?) Gordy Brewer, whose wife and son are killed in an explosion that is the handiwork of the Wolf, a Colombian rebel leader who pretty much has the now typical cliché reasons for hating the U.S. that we've heard so much in the news lately. After the attack, the government attempts to locate and bring the Wolf to justice, but due to setbacks and massive amounts of red tape, the process becomes long and tedious. Amie, who isn't exactly too thrilled about the wait, decides to take it upon himself, "Punisher"-style, and avenge the death of his family by traveling to Colombia and taking out the Wolf himself.

After a few months delay, Arnold Schwarzeneggar returns in "Collateral Damage."

Once Gordy makes it down to Colombia, the trademark Arnold begins to shine.

Aside from being a firefighter, our boy is apparently a skilled fighter that can take on about 5 guys at a time and win, an expert with explosives and firearms, and he does all this while spouting catchy one-liners.

I am a true Arnold Schwarzenegger fan, and every time I see the man go head on with a bunch of adversaries, beat them senseless, and still make some smart mouthed-remark afterwards in that accent, I can't help but say to myself, "This is the coolest dude ever."

The movie isn't exactly anything new, action or acting-wise. Arnold does what he does best, being an action star. Even at 54, he still takes on roles that people like Brad Pitt and George Clooney would jump at.

"Collateral Damage" isn't going to be a threat to any movies at the Oscars this year. It's more or less a big budget action movie with a star that does what he knows. The plot will turn some people off and make them uncomfortable, and some will go because they like action in general and could never be turned off of it. Whatever your feelings, if you decide to see it, know that you'll be seeing an hour and forty minutes of Arnold in action. To be honest, that isn't as bad as you may think.

Arnold Schwarzenegger
"Collateral Damage"
★★★

'Rollerball' provides naptime

AMY PILARCZYK
Entertainment Writer

"Rollerball" has been postponed three times before finally being released; so more corrections could be made. I have come to the conclusion to why it was postponed; it was awful.

"Rollerball" follows the story of Jonathan Cross (Chris Klein), who decides to leave San Francisco to play a game that is popular in Asia. He joins a team already occupied by Marcus Ridley (LL Cool J) and Aurora (Rebecca Romijn-Stamos). The game is appealing to Cross because of the fame and money. Ridley comments that he makes more in one season than twelve years of working as an accountant.

When a Rollerball team member becomes injured during a game, the owner, Alexi Petrovich (Jean Reno, "Ronin") realizes that ratings go up because of the accidents. He then schemes to have more accidents to keep the ratings up and him richer.

Jonathan and the others realize what is going on and that if they stay to play they may be the next to get hurt. They have to get out, which is impossible if Petrovich has anything to do with it. They become trapped in the deadly game.

Chris Klein stars in the speed-ballin' action thriller, "Rollerball."

I laughed through the entire film of "Rollerball," which says something because, "Rollerball" was not meant to be a comedy. Some of the scenes in the movie were just so stupid that I do not know why they were put in. In fact, I have never seen so many people leave a movie theater, not even seeing half of it.

I am no expert on how a person edits a movie, but I can tell when scenes are cut in horrible ways. There were breaks in the movie, which were not so bad. But by the end, the actor would be on one side of the room and a second later BAM they had flown to the other side. It looks like the characters were made to be super human skaters with super human speed to fly from one spot to another in less than a second.

I don't know what the director was thinking when he chose to do a major scene in night vision. It must be a creative thing to do since I haven't seen another movie feature it. It was a very pivotal moment in the film and it would have been better not to see the scene in only green and black.

There were four major rollerball games played throughout the movie, which only involved jumping. The viewer was jumped from game to Asian commercials, to the announcers, to the rating room. There was way too much bouncing from scene to scene. Though in some cases I guess it helped because the movie seemed to be way too long in the first place.

If you like pointless fast action then go to this movie, but I prefer a movie with a decent plot that won't make me leave the theater early.

"Rollerball"
0 out of 5 stars

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Quarterturn aims straight ahead

JOE JUAREZ
Entertainment Editor

The band Quarterturn has been on a successful rollercoaster for well over a year. Band members Patrick Eddy (lead vocals and guitar); John Prestipino (guitar); Matt York (bass); and Jim Eder (drums) have showed great improvement since the last time I caught up with them last year.

Diane Curtis, the band's manager since May of 2001 spoke about the band, their success and plans for 2002. "I have seen a dramatic difference... Every single time they play a show, I see a huge improvement," says Curtis.

Before their performance at Borders in Highland, I had a chance to catch up with Patrick on what he thought about the big improvement that he has seen with the band.

"Everybody's morale and passion keeps growing as time goes on," says Eddy. "We adapted ourselves to be able to know each others moves...It's a never ending battle. You will never get good enough. It's like you continue to strive and be better and you always try better to be better."

Just like last years interview, the band still looks for their proper influence in music such as watching their favorite music video or hearing their favorite artist. In fact, an even better influence comes from other bands that performed at the "Music for the Masses" Charity Concert at PUC last October. "We continue to strive to find ways to become better at what we do at every angle," Eddy said. "We look at other bands that have made it and see what they did right and see how we can try to improve ourselves and make ourselves look better."

2002 is going to be a big year for Quarterturn. From building up market to gaining a wide audience in the Northwest Indiana and Chicago area, the band will start touring the Midwest for a month in June. "We are going on tour in June for a month in the Midwest to gain more of a market out there and then at that point, we're actually going to look into record labels," stated Curtis.

According to Patrick, the band is hopefully going to put out an album before their Midwest tour. Despite it being in the air whether it will happen or not, he is passionate on what he feels. "We are going to try to pull off an album possibly. Its still up in the air... Possibly we are going to put out an album before we leave for tour...If we can do it before, it can be more beneficial to us so we can leave our mark and bring the music out the people," quoted Patrick.

Through it all, since last year, Quarterturn has shown a dramatic improvement in their style of music. Manager Diane Curtis and lead singer Patrick Eddy agree that the band has grown since the first time they formed as a group. "We're a family. Our energy just continue to push us through," said Patrick.

Photo by Joe Juarez

Quarterturn frontman Patrick Eddy puts on a great performance at Borders.

Scheming friends are 'Slackers'

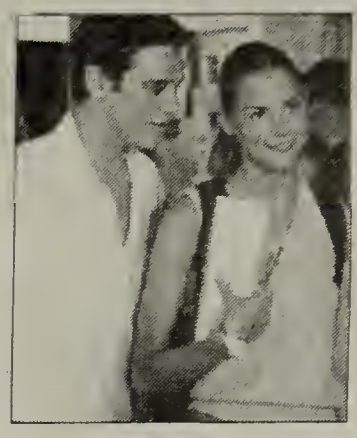
AMY PILARCZYK
Entertainment Writer

If you're looking for a nice wholesome movie, go see "Big Fat Liar." But if you are looking for a funny raunchy movie, you need to see "Slackers." There is nothing wholesome about this movie. The movie does have the sick twisted funny humor that makes a movie.

"Slackers" follows three college seniors, Dave (Devon Sawa), Sam (Jason Segel, from "Undeclared") and Jeff (Michael Moronna) who have cheated their way all four years of college.

Things go wrong when Dave gets caught taking an exam for one of his buddies. Dave tries to pick up Angela (model James King) during the exam. Instead of getting close to Angela, Dave meets up with Angela's stalker Ethan (Jason Schwartzman from "Rushmore").

Ethan, who refers to himself as 'Cool Ethan', blackmails the trio. He will not turn in their deceitful ways if the boys make Angela fall for him, but it is Dave who Angela ends up going for.



Devon Sawa and James King star in Slackers.

Also joining the cast is Reanna (Laura Prepon) as Angela's roommate. This character is the complete opposite of the role Prepon is most famous for, Donna on "That 70's Show." She actually gets to dress like a girl.

The scams the boys' play out have so much thought and effort put into them, it may have been easier for them to actually study. They have an elaborate scheme to steal the Physics exam at the beginning of the film.

Schwartzman steals the screen whenever he's in a scene. He is playing the same type of character as he did in "Rushmore," someone obsessed who would do anything for the girl he loves. He is a lot more psychotic in "Slackers", having a shrine for Angela in his room and a hair doll made from Angela's hair. Schwartzman has the ability to make a fool of himself on the screen. Whether it is falling down or his lovable song of declaration to Angela, you just have to smile.

"Slackers" will join the likes of "American Pie" with its sick, twisted humor. Let's just face it; the movie is just plain out nasty. College students will love this movie and it will probably become a cult classic.

"Slackers" is a movie you will not learn anything from, well maybe how to cheat your way through college, but it makes you smile. It is not the best movie of the year, but it is not the worst either.

Slackers
★★★ 1/2

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The Sprankle Confines

Miracle lives 22 years later

FRANK SPRANKLE
Sports Editor

Choosing the greatest sports moment that the public has ever known can be opened-up for debate, after all some of us might have different opinions. But with the Winter Olympics currently going on in Salt Lake City, our attention returns to skiing, skating, bobsledding, snowboarding, and various other athletic events featuring a number of men and women, giving-up a lot to chase a dream.

Still, one could only look back to the last time the games of this magnitude were held on American soil as one team forefilled a dream that lives on. For those who witnessed that special event on the night of February 22, 1980, as only described by Al Michaels's famous call of "do you believe in miracles," many Americans were then joining in and saying, "Yes," as the U.S. hockey team defeated then, the Soviet Union 4-3. Today, everyone has come to know this upset as the "Miracle on Ice."

In order to view what this victory meant, one must go beyond the talent of the heavily favorite Soviets and the political and society values of that time. During those magical Olympics, the U.S. had been involved in the Cold War with the communist for a number of decades. Set aside for one night, the pride of all Americans came out.

Now, 22 years later, the Cold War may be over, but a new war on terrorism has begun, and once again this country stands united.

Only fitting that the likes of Goaltender Jim Craig, captain Mike Eruzione, who scored the go ahead goal in the win over the Soviets, plus the rest of that miracle team; reunite underneath the Olympic flame and light the torch to open this year's games, especially in difficult times such as this. Not to mention an era where a number of NHL players make up the rosters of most teams participating, for 22 years ago, only amateurs represented their respected nations.

For the U.S., in general, these Olympic games are the first of it's kind to be held while involved in a war. Perhaps watching the 1980 Olympic hockey team then and even now, with the opening ceremonies of more than a week ago, can give anyone the distinction, that as Americans, we can do anything and overcome any odds.

Lady Lakers roll over Illinois Tech

FRANK SPRANKLE
Sports Editor

It's amazing just what the course of only a couple of weeks can bring. In the case of the Lady Lakers, a span of seven games started out with a four game winning streak and ended in tailspin with a three-game losing streak. All of that coming before the Illinois Tech Scarlet Hawks visited the PER Building on February 12, 17 days after these two teams went away from PUC.

Once again it was the Lady Lakers taking advantage on the court, defeating the Scarlet Hawks for the second time this season, this time in an 83-68 win, and more importantly snapping the three-game losing streak. With the win, PUC matched their CCAC (Chicago Colligate Athletic Conference) record at 4-4, and moved to 10-18 overall.

In a losing effort to St. Xavier three days earlier, Sarah Bacan had come off perhaps her best game played, posting 33 points, which became a career high for the sophomore shooting guard. Once the Lady Lakers and Illinois Tech renewed hostilities, Bacan continued the tempo of 72 hours earlier, picking-up the game's first five points, all part of PUC's 14-0 run, which did not see their opponents come through with a basket until 4:40 into the first half.

Photo by Dave Thompson

Latoya Sherls comes up with one of her four steals during the first half of the Lady Lakers 83-68 victory over Illinois Tech.

By then, Bacan had 12 points, freshman guard Jenny Sullivan came through with nine, and junior guard/forward Latoya Sherls chipped-in eight, as they shot 50 percent from the field. But managing to score off rebounds became a big factor with 13 second chance points, as opposed to only two by the Scarlet Hawks.

Eventually, the lead was kept in tact, and the team would force turnovers that led to fast break points. As a result, PUC had it's tenth win of the season and has the possibility of home court advantage.

"This win helps us a lot, because we must come out and play hard," Sherls said, who not only became the Lady Lakers leading scorer with 16 points, but also led in rebounding with 14, giving her a double-double on the night.

Coming-in, Illinois Tech had only six active players on the roster. Due to numerous injuries and PUC's victory, the Scarlet Hawks dropped to 2-18 on the season, and remained winless in the CCAC. Still, all but two produced a double-digit figure in points scored, as three took part in all forty minutes played, going without rest.

"They (Illinois Tech) got three good seniors, but our defense came through and Sarah and Latoya had a good game for us, plus our bench stepped-up and that was a key," Head Coach Dennis Smith said after the win.

And the bench did play a factor. Besides Sullivan finishing with 11 points, the rest of the freshmen Lady Lakers rounded-out the scoring with Katie Porento and LaSharon Watson each having 10 points apiece, while Lisa Cowper had 8.

"I think we saw each other better on the court this time as we performed well," Bacan said, as she finished the game with 15 points and seven rebounds.

Bacan, along with junior center Melissa Austin, and sophomore guard Thespena Kollintzas, make up the only three returning members of the Lady Lakers from last year. Together, they watched a season of disaster that only saw five overall wins. This year, a different setting in a whole new atmosphere with a team core. For they have stood by each other through the season.

"Everyone is giving their all, I feel more as a team here and at full strength," Bacan concluded.

ESU to begin intramural volleyball, basketball

FRANK SPRANKLE
Sports Editor

ESU (Erector Spine Universitas) has become one group out of the Total Fitness Center that involves themselves in a number of intramural athletic competition, which serves the needs of its members. Beginning next month, the activities will continue in the form of organized basketball and volleyball respectively.

These events have gone on for quite some time; infact the volleyball program had a session last semester that saw a turnout of eight teams, with seven or eight players per squad. With this program resuming March 7, and going on for the remaining Thursday nights, each team will feature 6 on 6 co-ed members. Almost half of the participating fall semester players are expected to return.

Probably, the most popular intramural that ESU has conducted, has been basketball, for this competition will begin on March 3 and will run on Sunday afternoons. Here, co-ed teams are optional but must consist of five members each.

"There has always been an interest in basketball," ESU President and PUC senior Pete Fagan said.

As ESU President president, Fagan has overseen the mergence of the most recent addition to the intramurals, flag football. What began as a test run last November has turned into a club sport that has succeeded in its current run.

"Last November, ESU had a 5-5 co-ed football session that had up to four teams with seven or eight players on each team. Afterwards, we talked about turning it into an intramural and it all worked out," Fagan said.

Right now, everyone seems to be enjoying flag football, and some of those members plan on transferring to either the basketball or volleyball teams.

Currently, plans to expand the intramurals are in the works, to add walleyball and racquetball. With the past success of both volleyball and basketball, in addition to the newly added flag football, ESU believes that these activities will create more membership.

"Hopefully, we get the intramurals going beyond the volleyball and basketball, it just takes interest," Fagan said.

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